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Attention: Jeffrey H. Ingerman

Dear Jeff,

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I enclose a translation of two official actions received in rapid succession. The action on non-unity is due for reply by 15th July 1991. The action calling for details of parallel prosecution is due for reply by 22nd July 1991.

As regards the non-unity objection, this arises from the Scandinavian practice of permitting dependent claims to refer only to subject matter specifically mentioned in the main claim. In the case of claims 25 to 27 and 35 to 37 of this application, the claims add additional integers which are not mentioned or foreseen in claim 1.

In some jurisdictions it is possible to overcome this kind of objection by inserting into claim 1 a reference in broad terms to these other integers and optional additional features. I am not sure whether this is acceptable in Finland or whether it can conveniently be done in the present circumstances. Please let me know if you regard these claims as important. If you wish to preserve them I will enquire whether we can deal with the matter as mentioned or whether one or more divisional applications may be necessary.

I believe I have most of the necessary details for replying to the parallel prosecution action.

Yours sincerely,

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